



**Montana Commerce Department
Tourism Infrastructure Improvement Program & Grant Award
Summary
(Updated March 2012)**

The Tourism Infrastructure Investment Program (TIIP) invests a portion of the Montana Office of Tourism's state lodging tax funding into new tourism-related facilities, the enhancement of existing tourism facilities, and the preservation of Montana's historical and cultural treasures.

Since its creation in 1995, TIIP has invested over \$4.17 million in "bed tax" funds into 94 projects in 47 communities across Montana. This investment has helped create \$45.9 million in new or improved tourism facilities in Montana.

The primary goal of this program is to create or improve attractions and services that will entice visitors to spend more time and money in Montana's communities. The program also aims at helping communities and organizations improve the quality of life for Montanans.

Non-profit sponsors or communities are eligible to apply for TIIP funds. The funds are awarded on an annual basis through a competitive application process. Sponsors are required to invest \$1 for every \$2 in TIIP Grant funds received for their project. The minimum TIIP grant is \$20,000.

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1995-2011 TIIP GRANT AWARD SUMMARY (94Awards, 47 Montana Communities)

2011 TIIP Grant Awards: \$530,000

\$75,000	Pine Butte Guest Ranch (The Nature Conservancy of Montana), New Waste Water System to Protect Rocky Mountain Front Water Quality, Choteau
\$44,500	World Museum of Mining, Public Access to Orphan Girl Headframe, Butte
\$36,800	Community Works, Inc., Outdoor Interactive Exhibits and Equipment at ExplorationWorks Museum of Science and Culture, Helena
\$22,333	Huntley Project Museum, Relocate Buildings to Historic Town Site Display, Huntley
\$75,000	Ursuline Centre Historical Foundation, Ursuline Centre Masonry Resortation Project, Great Falls
\$32,289	NW Montana Historical Society, "History of the Flathead Valley" Exhibit, Kalispell
\$46,378	HiLine Youth Hockey Association, Valley Event Center Elevator & Foyer Project, Glasgow
\$20,100	Carbon County Historical Society & Museum, Complete Mining Exhibit, Red Lodge
\$50,000	Missoula Downtown Association, Caras Park Pavilion Improvements, Missoula
\$27,600	Children's Museum of NE Montana, Renovate second floor mezzanine for museum use, Glasgow
\$50,000	Two Medicine Dinosaur Center, Construct second floor mezzanine for program and event space, Bynum
\$50,000	Big Sky Community Corporation, Big Sky Community Park Event and Activity Area, Big Sky

2010 TIIP Grant Awards: \$300,000

\$24,000	Evelyn Cameron Heritage Inc, for Evelyn Cameron Cultural Center (Rialto Theater building) Initial Main Floor Renovation, Terry
\$60,933	Phillips County Historical Society for historical restoration of the H.G. Robinson House, Malta
\$40,000	Big Horn County Historical Society for building expansion and renovation at the Big Horn County Museum, Hardin

\$65,000	Bannack Association & Historic Lodge No. 3-7-77 of Ancient Free & Accepted Masons for construction of a multi-use Group Shelter, Bannack State Park (Dillon)
\$20,000	Prairie County Museum for preservation and improvements to the buildings housing the Prairie County Museum and Evelyn Cameron Gallery, Terry
\$40,000	Great Falls Community Ice Foundation for insulation and radiant heat at the Great Falls Ice Plex, Great Falls
\$50,067	Emerson Arts and Cultural Center for Crawford Theater roof Replacement, Bozeman

2009 Grant Awards: \$289,676

\$66,667	Hill County's Buffalo Jump Preservation Project at the Wahkpa Chu'gn Buffalo Jump Site, Havre.
\$60,000	River & Plains Society Inc.'s reconstruction of the Bourgeois House at Old Fort Benton, Fort Benton.
\$50,000	Wolf Point Area Historical Society's Museum Relocation Project, Wolf Point
\$50,000	Historical Museum at Fort Missoula's replacement of a boiler at the historic Post Headquarters building, Missoula.
\$34,100	Powell County Museum & Arts Foundation's Milwaukee Railroad Exhibit & Museum , Deer Lodge.
\$29,000	Western Heritage Center's replacement of an old boiler and installation of humidity control equipment, Billings.

2008 Grant Awards: \$300,000

\$67,270	Museum of the Rockies, design, construction and installation of Explore Yellowstone: Children's Discovery Center, Bozeman
\$25,190	International Choral Festival, inflatable sound shell, risers and transport trailer, Missoula
\$63,770	Helena Presents/Myrna Loy Center, exterior and interior facility upgrades, signage and public art, Helena
\$67,270	Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center, design and construction of new River Valley Wolf Habitat exhibit, West Yellowstone
\$46,500	Yellowstone Art Museum, Montana's first publicly accessible-interpreted permanent art collection storage facility, Billings

\$30,000 Rialto Community Theatre, Inc., installation of an elevator and carpeting, Deer Lodge

2007 Grant Awards: \$286,227

\$50,000 Blaine County Wildlife Museum/Blaine County Museum, Wildlife Museum Moose-Grizzly Encounter Diorama, Chinook

\$50,000 Friends of the Hobson Library, Museum Project, Hobson

\$50,000 Judith River Foundation, Inc, The Great Plains Dinosaur Center, Malta

\$20,000 Musselshell Valley Historical Museum, Roofing Project, Roundup

\$30,000 Colter Pass, Cooke City, Silver Gate Chamber of Commerce, Shoofly Historical Center, Cooke City

\$66,227 The Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation, Powwow Grounds Renovation, Box Elder

\$20,000 Fort Belknap Indian Community Council, Horse Capture Community Park and Tourism Center Renovation & Improvements, Fort Belknap Agency

2006 Grant Awards: \$200,000

64,322 Charlie Russell Chew Choo Tour Train, Train Car Upgrade, Lewistown

\$27,000 Mission Valley Friends of the Arts, John Dowdall Theatre Renovation, Polson

\$20,693 Friends of the Pioneer Museum, Building Energy Efficiency Upgrade, Glasgow

\$27,985 Culbertson Museum Club, Inc., Exhibit/Event Building, Culbertson

\$20,000 Montana Shakespeare in the Parks, New Touring Van, Bozeman/Statewide

\$20,000 HiLine Youth Hockey Assoc., Valley Event Center, Glasgow

\$20,000 Judith Basin County, Utica Community Center, Utica

2005 Grant Awards: \$200,000

\$41,400 Conrad Mansion, Electrical Upgrade, Kalispell

\$50,000 Holter Museum of Art, Roof Renovation/Fire Suppression system, Helena

\$38,600 Makoshika Dinosaur Museum, Exhibit Expansion/Fire

	Suppression system, Glendive
\$20,000	Meagher County Historical Association, Window Restoration at Castle Museum, White Sulphur Springs
\$50,000	Missoula Art Museum, Grand Foyer of Renaissance, Renewal and Renovation Campaign, Missoula

2004 Grant Awards: \$200,000

\$48,360	Custer County Art & Heritage Center, Pump House Renovation, Miles City
\$109,740	HiLine Youth Hockey Association, Inc., Valley Event Center, Glasgow
\$20,500	Liberty Village Arts Center & Gallery, Roof & Siding Project, Chester
\$21,400	Pondera History Association, Pondera County Museum, Conrad

2003 Grant Awards: \$200,000

\$25,000	Beartooth Nature Center, Wildlife Access Project, Red Lodge
\$50,000	Great Falls Baseball Foundation, Inc., Legion Park Improvements, Great Falls
\$69,000	Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center, "Bears: Imagination & Reality" Exhibit Building and Installation, West Yellowstone
\$20,000	International Wildlife Film Festival & Media Center, Full Public Access Facility Project, Missoula
\$36,000	Mission Valley Friends of the Arts, John Dowdall Theater Safety & Access Project, Polson

2002 Grant Awards: \$150,000

\$50,000	Conrad Mansion Directors, Inc, Conrad Mansion roof replacement, Kalispell
\$29,000	Childrens' Museum of Montana, Interior and Accessibility Improvements, Great Falls
\$50,000	Livingston Depot Foundation, Livingston Depot Center Structural Repair and Roof Replacement, Livingston
\$21,000	Phillips County Historical Society, Robinson House Landscape Project, Malta

2001 Grant Awards: \$150,000

- \$30,000 Northwest Montana Historical Society/Central School Museum – Timber Products Industry History Exhibit, Kalispell
- \$43,415 Huntley Project Museum of Irrigated Agriculture – Completing main museum facility construction and improvements, Huntley Project
- \$76,585 Richland Youth Hockey, Inc. – completing construction of an community and regional event center, Sidney

2000 Grant Awards: \$150,000

- \$50,000 Daly Mansion Preservation Trust – Daly Mansion Restoration Project, Hamilton
- \$30,000 Miracle of America Museum, Inc. – Museum Building Improvements, Polson
- \$30,000 World Museum of Mining – The Orphan Girl Underground Exhibit, Butte
- \$20,000 Friends of Makoshika – Makoshika Group Picnic Shelter, Glendive
- \$20,000 Hill County H. Earl Clack Museum, Wahkpa Chu'gn Archeological Site Improvements, Havre

1999 Grant Awards: \$200,000

- \$73,677 Rialto Community Theatre, Inc. -- Rialto Theatre Infrastructure Improvements, Deer Lodge
- \$61,600 Blaine County Wildlife Museum/Blaine County Museum -- Wildlife Museum Building Improvements, Chinook
- \$24,000 Billings Preservation Society, Inc./Moss Mansion -- Carriage House Reconstruction, Billings
- \$20,361.50 Twin Bridges Historical Association -The Reid Building Renovation Museum & Archival Library, Twin Bridges
- \$20,361.50 Friends of Savenac -- Historic Savenac Nursery Infrastructure Restoration, Haugan

1998 Grant Awards: \$150,000

- \$56,105 Cascade County Historical Society-High Plains West Heritage Museum and Archives, Great Falls
- \$48,850 Makoshika State Park Amphitheater Renovation, Friends of Makoshika, Glendive
- \$45,000 Old Montana Prison 1912 Cell House Roof Replacement, Deer

Lodge

1997 Grant Awards: \$199,160

\$55,000	Seeley/Swan Historical Museum and Visitor's Center, Seeley Lake Chamber of Commerce, Seeley Lake
\$44,026	Peaks to Plains Museum, Carbon County Historical Society, Red Lodge
\$38,435	Reconstruction of Historic Fort Benton, Fort Benton Restoration Committee, Fort Benton
\$37,000	ZooMontana: Plains Habitat Display - Initial Phase, Billings
\$24,699	Old Trail Museum -- Exhibit Upgrade, Completion and Infrastructure Stabilization, Choteau

1996 Grant Awards: \$350,000

\$95,500	Fort Peck Theater - Electrical System Upgrade, Fort Peck Fine Arts Council, Inc, Fort Peck
\$66,968	Montana Wildlife Rehabilitation Center & Nature Park, Mikal Kellner Foundation for Animals, Helena
\$60,000	Restoration of Virginia City's Hangmans Building, Virginia City Preservation Alliance, Virginia City
\$50,000	Yellowstone Art Museum - Expansion and Renovation, Billings.
\$47,532	Chief Plenty Coups House Interior Stabilization, Friends of Chief Plenty Coups, Pryor.
\$30,000	Charlie Russell Chew Choo Tour Train - Facility Improvements, Lewistown Chamber of Commerce

1995 Grant Awards: \$320,000

\$200,000	Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Center, Great Falls
\$50,000	New Phillips County Museum Facility, Phillips County Historical Society, Malta
\$50,000	Mission Center visitor facility, St. Mary's Mission, Stevensville
\$20,000	Recovery/Restoration Indian Pictographs at Pictograph Caves State Park, Yellowstone Western Heritage Center, Billings

Total TIIP Grant Awards: \$4,174,004

Total TIIP Project Costs: \$45,983,348